

# IRISH LAND COMMISSION

## RETURN

OF

## PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACTS, 1881 AND 1887;" "THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883-1891;" AND "THE PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885, 1888, AND 1891;" AND "THE REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891,"

DURING THE MONTH OF

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# IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF JUNE, 1896.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 30th day of June, 1896; also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883-1891," and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Acts, 1885, 1888, and 1891," and "The Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891."

## COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

### I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) *In Court.*

#### FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	180,766	180,829	Rents Fixed—		
Applications received in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	63		By Chief Commission to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	4,370	
			" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	7	4,377
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	9,470	9,474	By Sub-Commissions to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	158,134	
Do. in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	4		" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	192	158,326
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	29,041	29,043	Dismissed—		
Applications received in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	2		To 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	7,933	
			In month of June, 1896, . . . . .	15	7,948
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents,* to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	773	779	Struck out—		
" received in June, 1896, . . . . .	6		To 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	35,377	
			In month of June, 1896, . . . . .	6	35,383
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	1,379	1,379	Withdrawn†—		
Do. in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—		To 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	14,475	
			In month of June, 1896, . . . . .	2	14,477
Total, . . . . .	—	221,504	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	220,411

\* These cases are also included in Redemption of Rent, Table (ix.), page 7.

† An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

## SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	458		Rents fixed— By Chief Commission to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	—	
Applications received in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	156	814	" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	—
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	92		By Sub-Commissions to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	—	
Do. in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	9	101	" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	65	65
			Dismissed— To 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	—	
			In Month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	—
			Struck out— To 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	3	
			In month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	3
			Withdrawn*— To 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	—	
			In month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	—
Total, . . . . .		715	Total disposed of, . . . . .		68

\* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

## (b.) Out of Court.

## FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	117,205
Do., do. in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	99
Total, . . . . .	117,304

## SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in form 36, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	1
Do., do. in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—
Total, . . . . .	1

## II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	1,482		Number disposed of to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	2,403
Applications received in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	5	1,487	" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	5
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	37			
Do in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	37		
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 81) received to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	1,043			
Applications in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	1,043		
Total, . . . . .	—	2,647	Total disposed of, . . . . .	2,408

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTER TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887"),—SEC. 2.—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1893,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st May, 1893, . . . . .	22	
		" in month of June, 1893, . . . . .	—	22
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st May, 1893, . . . . .	30	
		" in month of June, 1893, . . . . .	—	30
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 31st May, 1893, . . . . .	3	
		" in month of June, 1893, . . . . .	—	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	—	55

\* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1893.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 31st May, 1893, . . . . .	15	Applications granted to 31st May, 1893, . . . . .	2	
" in month of June, 1893, . . . . .	—	" in month of June, 1893, . . . . .	—	2
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 31st May, 1893, . . . . .	3	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st May, 1893, . . . . .	9	
" in month of June, 1893, . . . . .	—	" in month of June, 1893, . . . . .	—	9
		Applications withdrawn to 31st May, 1893, . . . . .	3	
		" in month of June, 1893, . . . . .	—	3
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	—	14

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883—1891.

Applications received to 31st May, 1891, . . . . .	4,143	Rents Fixed to 31st May, 1891, . . . . .	3,525	
" in June, 1891, . . . . .	16	" in June, 1891, . . . . .	24	3,552
		Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 31st May, 1891, . . . . .	367	
		" in June, 1891, . . . . .	—	367
Total,	4,159	Total disposed of,	—	3,919

## VI.—APPEALS TO FAIR RENTS, &amp;c.

## FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	44,852	Number heard to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	22,864	
" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	63	" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	83	23,067
		Number dismissed or struck out to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	801	
		" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	801
		Number withdrawn to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	20,808	
		" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	36	20,844
		Total Number disposed of, . . . . .	—	44,712
		Remaining to be disposed of, . . . . .	—	203
Total, . . . . .	44,915	Total, . . . . .	—	44,915

## SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged during Second Statutory Term to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	22	Number heard to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	1	
" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	23	" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	1
		Number dismissed or struck out to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	—	
		" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	—
		Number withdrawn to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	—	
		" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	2	2
		Total Number disposed of, . . . . .	—	3
		Remaining to be disposed of, . . . . .	—	42
Total, . . . . .	45	Total, . . . . .	—	45

## VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1888.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	29,531	£ 11,423,662
" in June, 1896, . . . . .	5	3,799
Do not Applications refused, . . . . .	29,536	11,427,461
	3,796	1,448,945
	25,740	9,978,516
Loans sanctioned to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	25,716	9,963,801
Loans sanctioned in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	5	3,799
	25,721	9,967,600
Loans issued to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	25,243	9,960,026
Loans issued in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	12	5,213
	25,254	9,965,238

## VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
		£		£
Loans applied for to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	8,480	2,818,581		
"    in June, 1896, . . . . .	290	56,651	8,770	2,875,232
Loans applied for in cases of Purchase of Estates to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	2,781	703,476		
Less applications since withdrawn, . . . . .	5	3,799		
	2,776	699,677		
Loans applied for in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	34	5,469	2,810	705,146
Total number of Loans applied for to 30th June, 1896, . . . . .	—	—	11,580	3,580,378
Less applications refused to 30th June, 1896, . . . . .	626	328,315		
"    "    in cases of Purchase of Estates to 30th June, 1896, . . . . .	794	323,630	1,320	450,350
Loans sanctioned to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	6,990	2,343,335	10,260	3,119,428
"    in June, 1896, . . . . .	372	71,289	7,302	2,414,624
Loans sanctioned in cases of Purchase of Estates to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	1,341	353,368		
"    in June, 1896, . . . . .	72	9,050	1,413	362,438
Total number of Loans sanctioned to 30th June, 1896, . . . . .	—	—	8,775	2,777,062
Less applications rescinded by Order of Court to 30th June, 1896, . . . . .	77	44,317		
"    in cases of Purchase of Estates, by Order of Court to 30th June, 1896, . . . . .	123	46,940	199	93,257
Loans issued to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	5,900	1,986,704	8,576	2,683,205
"    in June, 1896, . . . . .	133	20,881	6,083	2,013,589
"    in cases of Purchase of Estates to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	1,127	281,064		
"    in June, 1896, . . . . .	—	—	1,127	281,064
"    in cases under the Redemption of Rent Act, to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	57	60,160		
"    in June, 1896, . . . . .	1	180	58	60,340
			7,218	2,353,013

## IX.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	917	Number of cases in which Consents to Redemption of Rent have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	130	
"    in June, 1896, . . . . .	6	Number received in June, 1896, . . . . .	—	130
		Number of cases in which no Consents were received and which were treated as applications to fix Fair Rents* to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	775	
		Number of cases in which time had expired for receiving consents in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	6	779
		Number of cases in which applications have been received but where time for lodgment of consents has not expired		909
Total, . . . . .	923	Total, . . . . .	—	923

\* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (a), page 3.

## CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF JUNE, 1896.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 30th day of June, 1896.

## I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) *In Court.*

## FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	29,643	29,656	Rents fixed to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	17,014	17,031
Applications received in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	13		" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	17	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	4,179	4,180	Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	3,843	3,849
Applications received in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	1		" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	6	
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending, to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	2,403	2,407	Applications withdrawn* to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	443	447
Applications received in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	4		" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	4	
Total, . . . . .	—	36,243	Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	10,849	10,853
			" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	4	
			Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	32,180

## SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	177	187	Rents fixed to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	—	23
Applications received in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	10		" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	23	
			Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	—	2
			" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	2	
			Applications withdrawn* to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	—	1
			" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	1	
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission, to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	93	101
			" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	9	
Total, . . . . .	187		Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	127

\* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.



(b.) *Out of Court.*

## FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 33, fixing Fair Rent to 31st May, 1896, . . .	7,215
Do., do. in month of June, 1896, . . .	—
Total, . . . . .	7,215

## II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.\*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to 31st May, 1896, . . .	312	
Applications received to 31st May, 1896, . . .	568		„ in month of June, 1896, . . .	—	312
Applications received in month of June, 1896, . . .	—	566	Transferred to Irish Land Commis- sion Court to 31st May, 1896,	37	37
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 61), received to 31st May, 1896, . . .	6		Transferred in month of June, 1896, . . .	—	37
Applications received in month of June, 1896, . . .	—	3			
Total, . . . . .	—	571	Total disposed of, . . .	—	349

\* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

### III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTOR TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2)—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,† . . . . .	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 31st May, 1896, . . .	—	
		„ in month of June, 1896, . . .	—	—
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st May, 1896, . . .	6	
		„ in month of June, 1896, . . .	—	6
		Applications withdrawn or com- promised to 31st May, 1896, . . .	—	
		„ in month of June, 1896, . . .	—	—
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court, to 31st May, 1896, . . .	—	
		„ in month of June, 1896, . . .	—	—
Total, . . . . .	6	Total disposed of, . . .	—	6

† The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING  
UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	22	Applications granted to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	3	
" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	3
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	4	
		" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	4
		Applications withdrawn to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	1	
		" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 31st May, 1896, . . . . .	3	
		" in month of June, 1896, . . . . .	—	3
Total . . . . .	22	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	11

Irish Land Commission, }  
30th July, 1896. }

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